

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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August 21, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR

DR. KISSINGER

The President has signed:

Executive Order directing the half-staffing
of the Flag on the day of interment of
Ambassador Rodger P. Davies


Robert D. Linder

EXECUTIVE ORDER

THE HONORABLE RODGER P. DAVIES

As a special mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Rodger P. Davies, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Cyprus, killed while in the performance of his duty, it is hereby ordered, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Proclamation 3044 of March 1, 1954, as amended that on the day of interment, the flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff on all buildings, grounds, and naval vessels of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia and throughout the United States and its Territories and possessions. I also direct that the flag shall be flown at half-staff on the same day at all United States embassies, consular offices, and other facilities abroad, including all military facilities and naval vessels and stations.

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informal club activities for overseas servicemen; and

WHEREAS the organization's blood program provides blood for the sick and injured in nearly half the Nation's hospitals and, at the same time, enables the Red Cross to meet its responsibility as the collecting agency of blood for national defense; and

WHEREAS the Red Cross is a medium for extending emergency relief to families stricken by disaster, and for helping to rehabilitate those families, as well as for making available to all the people training in such essential skills as first aid, water safety, and home nursing; and

WHEREAS these services and many others performed by millions of adult and junior members of the organization prepare our people to save lives and mitigate suffering, both in time of peace and in time of national emergency; and

WHEREAS the American Red Cross is appealing for \$85,000,000 and thirty million members to help it achieve its objectives in the year ahead:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America and Honorary Chairman of the American National Red Cross, do hereby designate March 1954 as Red Cross Month; and I urge every American during that month to cooperate in furthering the work of this humanitarian organization.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 25th day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and [SEAL] fifty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-eighth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES,
Secretary of State.

PROCLAMATION 3044

DISPLAY OF THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AT HALF-STAFF UPON THE DEATH OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND FORMER OFFICIALS

WHEREAS it is appropriate that the flag of the United States of America be flown at half-staff on Federal buildings, grounds, and facilities upon the death

of principal officials and former officials of the Government of the United States and the Governors of the States, Territories, and possessions of the United States as a mark of respect to their memory; and

WHEREAS it is desirable that rules be prescribed for the uniform observance of this mark of respect by all executive departments and agencies of the Government, and as a guide to the people of the Nation generally on such occasions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America and Commander in Chief of the armed forces of the United States, do hereby prescribe and proclaim the following rules with respect to the display of the flag of the United States of America at half-staff upon the death of the officials hereinafter designated:

1. The flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff on all buildings, grounds, and naval vessels of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia and throughout the United States and its Territories and possessions for the period indicated upon the death of any of the following-designated officials or former officials of the United States:

(a) The President or a former President: for thirty days from the day of death.

The flag shall also be flown at half-staff for such period at all United States embassies, legations, and other facilities abroad, including all military facilities and naval vessels and stations.

(b) The Vice President, the Chief Justice or a retired Chief Justice of the United States, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives: for ten days from the day of death.

(c) An Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, a member of the Cabinet, a former Vice President, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, or the Secretary of the Air Force: from the day of death until interment.

2. The flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff on all buildings, grounds, and naval vessels of the Federal Government in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia on the day of death and on the following day upon the death of a United States Senator, Representative, Territorial Delegate, or the Resident Commissioner from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and it shall also be flown at half-staff on all buildings, grounds, and naval vessels

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of the Federal Government in the State, Congressional District, Territory, or Commonwealth of such Senator, Representative, Delegate, or Commissioner, respectively, from the day of death until interment.

3. The flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff on all buildings and grounds of the Federal Government in a State, Territory, or possession of the United States upon the death of the Governor of such State, Territory, or possession from the day of death until interment.

4. In the event of the death of other officials, former officials, or foreign dignitaries, the flag of the United States shall be displayed at half-staff in accordance with such orders or instructions as may be issued by or at the direction of the President, or in accordance with recognized customs or practices not inconsistent with law.

5. The heads of the several departments and agencies of the Government may direct that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff on buildings, grounds, or naval vessels under their jurisdiction on occasions other than those specified herein which they consider proper, and that suitable military honors be rendered as appropriate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 1st day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-
[SEAL] four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-eighth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

WALTER B. SMITH,
Acting Secretary of State.

PROCLAMATION 3045

CHILD HEALTH DAY, 1954

WHEREAS the Congress, by joint resolution of May 16, 1928 (45 Stat. 617) authorized and requested the President of the United States to issue annually a proclamation setting apart May 1 as Child Health Day; and

WHEREAS children are our Nation's richest resource and our most welcome responsibility; and

WHEREAS home life that is satisfying physically, emotionally, and spiritually is essential to the development of healthy personality in children; and

WHEREAS Child Health Day is a suitable occasion for emphasizing the fundamental importance to our Nation of wholesome family life:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the first day of May, 1954, as Child Health Day; and I urge all families to make this a day when parents and children join in family activity of work or play that will strengthen and enrich the union between them. I also invite all organizations and groups interested in child welfare to unite upon that day in observances designed to enhance family ties throughout the year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 17th day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and
[SEAL] fifty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-eighth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES,
Secretary of State.

PROCLAMATION 3046

PAN AMERICAN DAY, 1954

WHEREAS the American Republics jointly and severally honor April 14 as a date of Hemisphere significance, since that day sixty-four years ago marked the beginning of the association which has developed into the Organization of American States and in which the twenty-one American Republics are Member States;

WHEREAS the Tenth Inter-American Conference this year focuses attention once again upon the fundamental importance of inter-American solidarity as an indispensable bulwark of the free world;

WHEREAS the reciprocal friendship, mutual respect, and steadfast cooperation of the American Republics stand as an example which other nations have

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger

SUBJECT: Flying of Flags at Half-Staff, Day of Interment
of Ambassador Rodger P. Davies

The Department of State has recommended, and I concur, that you issue an Executive Order directing that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff on all buildings, grounds and naval vessels throughout the world on the day of interment of Ambassador Rodger P. Davies. The Ambassador's body will be returned to California on Wednesday, August 21, and while funeral arrangements have not yet been completed, it is quite possible that the interment will take place the same day.

The authority for your signing of the proposed Executive Order at Tab A is contained in the provisions of Section 4, of Proclamation 3044 of March 1, 1954, as amended.

The Executive Order has been coordinated with the Department of Justice and the Office of Management and Budget, and its text has been coordinated with Dave Gergen.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the Executive Order at Tab A.

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ACTION
August 20, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: A. Denis Clift

SUBJECT: Flying of Flags at Half-Staff, Day of Interment
of Ambassador Rodger P. Davies

The memorandum for your signature to the President at Tab I would forward a proposed Executive Order for his signature directing that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff on the day of interment of Ambassador Rodger P. Davies. The authority for the Executive Order is contained in Section 4 of Proclamation 3044 of March 1, 1954 as amended. (Copy at Tab II). The text of the Executive Order has been coordinated with Justice, OMB and Dave Gergen.

As noted in your memorandum to the President, the details for Ambassador Davies' funeral are not yet firm. However, it is quite possible that the interment will take place as early as August 21.

State's memorandum recommending that the Executive Order be signed is at Tab III.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum for the President at Tab I.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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*Justice,
DMR*
August 19, 1974
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MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Flying of Flags at Half-Staff, Day of
Interment of Ambassador Rodger P. Davies

The Department recommends that the President issue an Executive Order along the lines of the attached draft. Secretary Kissinger has ordered the flag flown at half-staff at the Department and all diplomatic and consular posts through the day of interment pursuant to his authority under paragraph 5 of Proclamation 3044 of March 1, 1954.

George S. Springsteen, Jr.
George S. Springsteen, Jr.
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Draft Executive Order.

DRAFT EXECUTIVE ORDER

The Honorable Rodger P. Davies

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